GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR
LOK SABHA

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AGRO-BASED INDUSTRIES IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are very few agro-based industries in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the efforts made by Government during the last two years to promote the agro-based industries in the State and the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGF RURAL INDUSTRIES (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): The Margin Money Scheme launched by the KVIC for the development of Village Industries, including Agro based industries is also being implemented in Bihar State. Under this scheme individual entrepreneurs and NGOs are provided financial assistance to set up viable projects of agro based industries.

The performance of agro based industries in Bihar State for the last two years based on information given by the KVIC is as under:-

Year	Production(Rs. in lakhs)	Employment
1997-98	9531.73	67,505
1998-99	9415.14	68,427